## ATTENTION GREYHOUND STAKEHOLDERS

On March 5, 2019, the Texas Racing Commission's Committee on Rules will consider possible changes to the rules regarding accredited Texas-bred awards for greyhounds. The change, requested by the Texas Greyhound Association, would limit ATB awards to those accredited Texas-bred greyhounds that finish in the top four finishers in a race, as follows:

- § 302.102. Greyhound Rules.
- (b) Owners' Awards.
  - (1) The owner of a registered Texas-bred greyhound is eligible to receive an owner's award if the greyhound is among the first four [Texas-bred] greyhounds to finish a pari-mutuel race in Texas. For purposes of this subdivision, each elimination and final in a stakes race competition is considered a pari-mutuel race. A dead heat for any position is considered a placement in that position for each greyhound involved in the dead heat.

(4) Owners' awards for each live race during a month shall be paid out as follows:

- (A) [First Texas-bred greyhound —] each Texas-bred greyhound finishing first [finish for first among Texas-bred greyhounds that compete] in a Texas pari-mutuel race shall receive an equal share of 50% of the award funds available under paragraph (3) of this subsection; [-]
- (B) [Second Texas-bred greyhound —] each Texas-bred greyhound finishing second [finish for second among Texas-bred greyhounds that compete] in a Texas parimutuel race shall receive an equal share of 25% of the award funds available under paragraph (3) of this subsection; [-]
- (C) [Third Texas-bred greyhound –] each Texas-bred greyhound finishing third [finish for third among Texas-bred greyhounds that compete] in a Texas pari-mutuel race shall receive an equal share of 15% of the award funds available under paragraph (3) of this subsection; and [-]
- (D) [Fourth Texas-bred greyhound –] each Texas-bred greyhound finishing fourth [finish for fourth among Texas-bred greyhounds that compete] in a Texas parimutuel race shall receive an equal share of 10% of the award funds available under paragraph (3) of this subsection.

If you would like to provide comments for or against this proposed change, you may do so at the meeting on March 5 or by submitting written comments no later than Friday, February 22, by mail to Texas Racing Commission, P.O. Box 12080, Austin, TX 78711 or by email to <a href="mailto:info@txrc.texas.gov">info@txrc.texas.gov</a>.

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